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Title: *Techniques for making carbon fiber bicycle frames*

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Submission accompanying an RCE under 37 C.F.R. 1.114(c)

Examiner mailed Applicant a final Office action in the above application on 1/10/2007 in which claims 25 and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over the Baron and Bishop references and objected to claims 20 and 27 as being dependent from unpatentable base claims. On Jan. 19, Applicants' attorney had a discussion with Examiner about the rejection and learned from Examiner that the proper technical term for an important distinction between the molds used in Baron and Bishop and those used by Applicant is that Applicant's molds have "abutting parting planes". Applicant is now filing an RCE in this application together with the present *Submission*, in which the claims have been amended to include the "abutting parting plane" language and have been otherwise amended to claim Applicants' invention generically and to include claims to both of the species of the generic invention which are disclosed in Applicant's Specification. The Specification has been amended to replace "silicon" with --silicone--, which better describes the material in question.

Please amend the Specification as follows: